

**City of Santa Barbara
Youth Council Meeting
September 21, 2015
MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at approximately 5:18 p.m. by Chairperson Scott Voulgaris.
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Youth Council Member Camille Cosio.

ROLL CALL

Members	Present	Absent
Acuna, Kevin	Yes	
Chittick, Ari	Yes	
Cortez, Karim		Yes
Cosio, Camille	Yes	
Diaz, Cindy	Yes	
Getachew, Nathaniel	Yes	
Mikles, Ali		Excused
Noorsher, Zainab	Yes	
Rea, Manny	Yes	
Steady, Jensen	Yes	
Thrift, Charles	Yes	
Trisler, Daniella		Excused
Trosky, Ty		Yes
Voulgaris, Scott	Yes	
Vacant Position		
Junior High School Representatives:		
Isabelle Andrews	Yes	
Kristine Carrillo	Yes	

STAFF PRESENT: Susan Young, Roberta Payan, Mark Alvarado

LIAISONS:

GUESTS: Diana Capous, Project Heroes

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mark Alvarado, Senior Supervisor, Neighborhood and Outreach Services, introduced himself to the new members and spoke about Neighborhood and Outreach Services. He let the members know he was there for support them.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded by Youth Council Members Camille Cosio and Ari Chittick, respectively, to waive the approval of the minutes of September 14, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORT

Staff reported included information on Youth Council parking and community service hours.

PRESENTATION – PROJECT HEROES

Diana Capous, with Project Heroes and UCSB Youth Service Agencies, spoke to the Youth Council about an upcoming grant that they have received in which they are capturing the experiences of youth in the community, particularly Latino youth. Ms. Capous referred members to a YouTube page and encouraged them to watch and solicited the Youth Council's assistance in getting the word out to young people about the project. A town hall meeting is scheduled for October 8,k at La Cumbre Junior High School. There was brief question and answers. (See action below under New Business).

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Special Events** – Special Events reported they had met and gave an update on information for the Candidate's Forum on October 5, 2015. Flyers have been finalized and Scott Guttentag has agreed to be the facilitator. Committee members are seeking donations.
- b. Policies and Procedures** – No report.
- c. Fundraising** – No report.
- d. Junior High** – No report.
- e. Anti-Bullying Ad Hoc** – Committee met and finalized January as the month to do a special event.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Day of Caring:** Members stated they had a great event for Day of Caring. Members stated they felt “they were having an impact.” Members spoke of their project with Angels Bearing Gifts. All agreed it was a good time.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Appointment of Junior High School Member** – After a brief introduction and interview, *it was moved and seconded by Youth Council member Ari Chittick and Nathaniel Getachew, respectively, to appoint La Colina Junior High Kristine Carrillo as a Junior High School Representative. Motion carried unanimously.*
- b. Youth Making Changes** – There was brief discussion on ideas for the Youth Making Change Grant. It was moved and seconded by Nathaniel Getachew and Zainab Noorsher, respectively, to create an ad hoc committee for the YMC grant. Motion carried unanimously. Committee Members: Ty Trosky, Zainab Noorsher, Scott Voulgaris, Charlie Thrift, Jensen Steady, and Nathaniel Getachew.
It was moved and seconded by Youth Council Members Nathaniel Getachew and Ty Trosky, respectively, that the Ad HOC YMC committee had the authority to write, authorize and submit the grant on behalf of the Youth Council. Motion carried unanimously.

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COUNCIL COMMENTS

Under council comments, Youth Council member Ari Chittick reminded members to submit their September hours by next meeting. Youth Council member Zainab reminded members of their \$5 donation to the Sunshine Committee.

There were no council comments, however, Council Member Chittick reminded members to submit their community service hours. Staff reminded members to attend the YMC grant orientation.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:40 pm.

Susan C. Young
Recording Secretary